

Ryan has put into place several procedures and protocols to prevent or combat COVID-19.

Safely reopening Ryan for in-person learning means significant changes to classroom capacity. In order to fully comply with the CDC and New York State's physical distancing requirements that reduce the spread of COVID-19, Ryan will operate at significantly reduced capacity for in-person instruction, with, on average, between one third and half of the student population attending at one time.

As required, all individuals should stay at least six feet apart at all times, including entry to Ryan, movement through hallway and staircase, while in classrooms and shared spaces. Per State DOH guidelines, appropriate signage, e.g., directional markers and physical distancing guidelines, will be displayed on walls and floors throughout all travel routes.

There will be a **mandatory use of face coverings** for all individuals while in the building. Face coverings must be worn at all times except while eating or drinking.

Hand sanitizing dispensers have been installed throughout the classrooms and high traffic areas.

Custodians will sanitize the school building on a nightly basis with an electrostatic sprayer that is CDC approved. Cleaning and disinfection will include all high touch surfaces: classrooms, desks & chairs, conference tables, drinking fountains, door handles and push plates, light switches, and restroom fixtures.

Covid-19 Preventative Measures

Hand Hygiene:

Why is practicing good hand hygiene important?

Keeping your hands clean is one of the best ways to protect yourself and others from getting sick. When SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, gets onto hands and is not washed off, it can be passed from person to person. Germs from unwashed hands can get into the body through the mouth, nose, and eyes and make people sick. Good hand hygiene – regular [handwashing](#) with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are

not readily available – reduces the spread of germs that can cause illness, especially if done at key times throughout the day. To avoid poison emergencies, hand sanitizers should be stored away, and out of sight of children under six years of age and should be used with adult supervision.

Use of Masks to Help Slow the Spread of COVID-19

[Use Masks to Help Slow Spread](#)

[Stress and Coping | COVID-19](#)

[Prevent Getting Sick](#)

What do you do if you do get sick?

Take steps to care for yourself and help protect others in your home and community.

[If You Are Sick or Caring for Someone](#)

Finding a Covid Test Site:

https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/find-test-site-near-you?gclid=CjwKCAjw4_H6BRAL EiwAvgfzq3JtPyQf2QBtLzAsXEc4nkAhU8_5TPX4vuF7VFQnON57Mf7Ulnv-5hoC-OgQAvD_BwE